The Shakerite

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Humphrey for President

The Shakerite supports Hubert H. Humphrey for President. Humphrey is the only candidate who can competently meet the difficult problems that face the United States. Moreover, he is a candidate whom Americans can trust to act sensibly in an office that demands sober thinking. Edmund S. Muskie's candidacy for Vice President enhances Humphrey's candidacy as much as Agnew's detracts from Nixon's and LeMay's from Wallace's.

WE REJECT the argument that one should not vote this year to protest the selection. To the contrary, Americans must vote in this election because of the alternatives. We cannot afford the luxury of trusting the rest of America to choose wisely this year; the problems of this country are too serious to regard the election so frivolously.

Hubert Humphrey is preferable to Richard Nixon because Humphrey displays greater awareness of the problems of the ghetto. Unlike Nixon, he is willing to talk in specifics about his views on the war. When he speaks about law and order, he outlines solutions explicitly instead of speaking in ambiguous generalities, as Nixon has. George Wallace is a dangerous racist; *The Shakerite* fails to see that law and order entail rank disregard for and disobedience to the Supreme Court. The extent of his support evinces the necessity of voting against him.

HUMPHREY'S DESIRE for a total bombing halt presents a major change, one difficult for him to undertake in his untenable position as Lyndon Johnson's Vice President, and lets anti-war dissidents accept him. He has had extensive experience in executive affairs as mayor of a big city, as Senator, and as Vice President.

The Shakerite remembers Humphrey's brave stand in 1948 for the Democratic Party's civil-rights plank, his long fight for the nuclear-test-ban and nuclear-non-proliferation treaties, his struggle to enact Medicare. That he is a liberal is unquestionable. He always has been 20 years ahead of his time. Let us now let time catch up with him, and elect Hubert Humphrey our next President.

Courageous Gilligan Criticizes Current Administration Policy

The Shakerite supports John J. Gilligan to represent Ohio in the United States Senate. He has the courage, ideas, and qualifications that will make him an excellent senator. He also possesses the charisma that has attracted people of all ages to his campaign.

JOHN GILLIGAN has served as a Cincinnati councilman for twelve years, and as a United States Representative for two years, and has played an active role in local civic activities. Gilligan also has political courage, a quality which has become rare among today's vacillating politicians. His active support of the peace plank at Chicago and his later reluctance to endorse Humphrey lost Gilligan the active participation of many labor groups which had aided him in the primary. Gilligan did not, however, buckle under this pressure but has continued to criticize many current policies of this country. He offers constructive solutions for crime, poverty, and inflation. Gilligan advocates a bombing halt in Vietnam, de-escalation of the war, and peace talks involving all concerned parties. He also proposes to alleviate urban problems by voting more funds to effective federal programs.

By representing progressive Democrats, John Gilligan helps to bridge the much-deplored generation gap. He is Ohio's man for the future.

County Bonds Upgrade Court, Jail, and Zoo

The Shakerite supports the Cuyahoga bond issue for improvement of the criminal courts and county jail. Providing Cleveland with a justice center housing a jail, court offices, and 20 additional court rooms, it would relieve over-crowded county facilities.

The Shakerite also supports the Metropolitan Park bond issue to aid the zoo by building and maintaining animal shelters. It would provide for the purchase of more park land and the building of picnic facilities for the 14-million yearly visitors.

This issue of *The Shakerite* concerns itself entirely with politics. It comprises political endorsements, commentaries, and satire. It is the first such issue in the newspaper's history.

Bonds to Provide Moreland Renewal

The problems facing Shaker Heights provide a unique chance for experimenting in urban renewal. The aging Moreland community needs extensive rebuilding and additional park space, increased traffic regulation, and a new service center is necessary for efficient garbage removal. *The Shakerite* supports Shaker Bond Issues 69, 70, and 71.

THESE ISSUES would allot funds for the building of a park in the Sutton-Colwyn area, finance better traffic control to bring the city up to state standards, and permit the construction of a modern service center within the city.

Present Alienation Resembles Pre-Civil-War Polarization

by Ned Stoll

The United States may be approaching a second Civil War: the politics of our own times and the politics of America just before the Civil War are frighteningly similar.

EXAMINING the conditions of the times, during the pre-Civil-War period we find both unpopular presidential administrations and bitter hatred between liberals and conservatives. Democratic President Buchanan, puppet of the southern slave owners, was widely hated, and his contemporaries thought that he would be the ruin of the Democratic party. In the pre-Civil-War period the radical abolistionist followers of William Lloyd Garrison battled with the conservative Democratic supporters of the southern slavocracy. Similarly, today, Democratic President Johnson is as unpopular as Buchanan was. In the confrontation between protesters and police at the Chicago Democratic Convention, we can sense the same growing hatred between liberals and conservatives.

THE PEOPLE of the 1860's and 1960's, faced with similar conditions, reacted in a like manner. The liberals and conservatives of the pre-Civil-War days moved constantly to extremes until the moderation of the major parties could not be acceptable to both. The liberals broke away to form numerous third parties; finally, however, all the reforms parties banded together to form the Republican Party, the only third party ever to elect a president. Today we can sense this same movement to extremes in the vast support for both liberal dove Gene McCarthy and conservative hawk George Wallace. In 1968 we have seen the formation of the American Independent Party and much speculation about the formation of a fourth party under Gene McCarthy.

Although this comparison may be an oversimplification, let us beware, least the symptoms of a sick society be allowed to spread, for increasing polarization, unpopular presidents, and numerous third parties could be portents of greater civil conflicts.

Patriot Wallace Whitens America

by Dan Polster

George Wallace is the only man who can protect individual rights by revoking national liberty. By ignoring the prime causes of unrest, he will restore domestic tranquillity.

MR. WALLACE is a true patriot. If elected, he will make sure that the government will be able to blunder along without the hindrance of dissent and protest to remind it that the government is for the people. After all, no one should be permitted to openly criticize the government. The Communists don't allow it, and we must keep pace with them.

Americans will at last be able to walk the streets in safety, provided they are white, Anglo-Saxon Protestants. The Negroes, Jews, and Catholics will have to learn that the majority rules. This is the democratic way.

ANYONE WHO CHOOSES to participate in civil disorders will be efficiently gunned down. In this manner, Mr. Wallace will eliminate these unsavory, undesirable people from our society. These people who refuse to support the government's brilliant foreign policy and ethical domestic programs are polluting the country anyway.

Efficient Kreiger Promises Reforms

Are inefficiency and corruption necessary elements of law enforcement? The sorry record of present Cuyahoga County sheriff James McGettrick seems to indicate that he thinks they are. His "accomplishments" include numerous jailbreaks, and corruption among employees. His "candy cart" sale of goodies to the prisoners seemed to be an attempt to make some private profit.

THE SHERIFF'S Office needs responsible management. That is why *The Shakerite* supports Ralph E. Kreiger, 46, Republican, for sheriff. He is a professional law enforcement officer with excellent qualifications. He has specialized in criminal investigation, worked with the U.S. Bureau of Narcotics, served as enforcement chief of the Ohio Liquor Department, and functioned as Chief Probation Officer of Stark County Juvenile Court.

Liberal Candidate Vanik Combines Experience and Progressive Views

In a time that demands change and progressive representation, *The Shakerite* supports Charles A. Vanik for the 22nd Congressional District.

VANIK, a veteran of seven congressional campaigns and 30 years in politics, has the experience necessary for the job. As a congressman he has striven for the benefit of the entire Greater Cleveland area, whereas his opponent, Frances P. Bolton, has been concerned only with the immediate interest of her own district.

Sensitive to the problem of air and water polution, Vanik has voted for legislative means to solve these and other urban ills. The Congressional Record shows Vanik has supported the Elementary and Secondary Education Acts of 1965, 1966, and 1967, the Urban Mass Transit Act, and the establishment of VISTA, the Job Corps, and the Work Training Program. Mrs. Bolton has voted against all of these acts and programs.

A LIBERAL Democrat, Vanik faces up to today's problems instead of pretending that they do not exist. He favors a trial bombing halt and gradual troop withdrawal in Vietnam to precipitate a peaceful settlement with Hanoi. Bolton has been relatively vague in her position on the Vietnam issue.

Wallace Inaugural Ball Illumines 'Watt' House; Excessive Lawn Order Highlights Festivities

by Jim Siegelman

The nation's top socialites had their first taste of the new Southern hospitality at the Inaugural Ball for President George "Caw-ley" Wallace. The President broke a 175-year tradition by refusing to make the Inaugural Ball a "Black-tie affair." In his white dinner jacket and beige levis, the President remarked, "This is the Watt House, we'll wear Watt tuxedos!"

FIRST LADY Ja-neen "Lovebird" Wallace, wearing a stunning white, mid-thigh length evening skirt and a thin, white cashmere sweater, was a superb hostess, dancing with all the male guests and taking several on private tours of the White House. She showed great affection for all her guests early in the evening, but even the President noticed her absence after eleven o'clock.

In accordance with the new Wallace slogan, "In-uh-vation for thuh nation," the White House Guard, 93rd Infantry, changed to dress whites for the ball and stood at attention in the falling snow that drifted gently over the charred bodies of protesters who were electrocuted attempting to climb the new 50,000 volt White House fence.

ENTERTAINMENT THIS year was not up to par with past inaugural balls. Surely, Sammy Davis, Jr. should be commended for his valiant attempt to tap dance on the White House lawn in four feet of snow; yet, despite the unpleasant weather, the guests should have been told that he was performing. President Wallace said, "I didn't tell anyone about it because I wanted lawn order."

Guests of honor Hubert Humphrey, Richard Nixon, and Julian Bond occupied a window table outside, and, not unjustifiably, complained that the record player wasn't loud enough, no matter how hard they wound it. The Washington Press Corps table, balanced delicately on the basement stairs, offered the worst position from which to view the spectacle, and Columnist Drew Pearson complained that the batter on his chicken reeked of bitter almonds. Columnist William F. Buckley, Jr. conservatively estimated his martini intake at three, while declining comment on his consumption of "cornlikker." Buckley said, "This represents a solubility gap, coupled with a distillation gap." Several other columnists were engaged in a floating gap game, too, talk-

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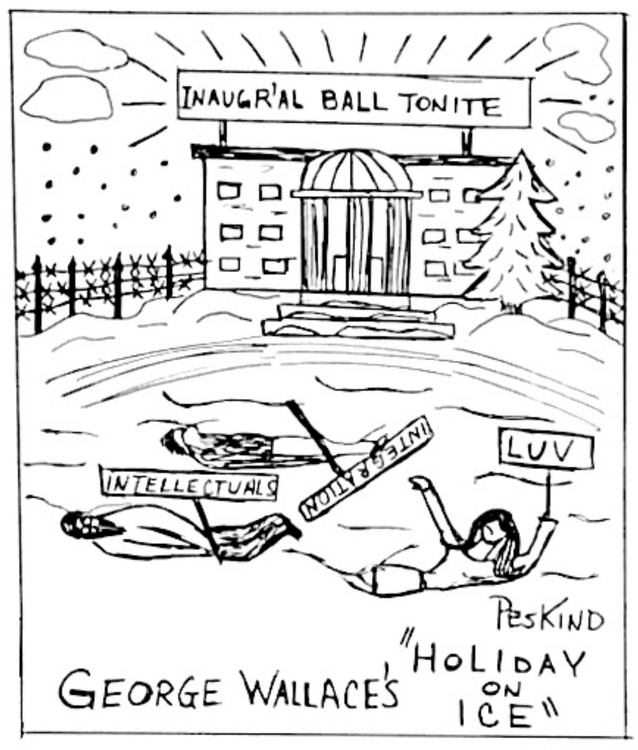

Electoral College Cheats Minorities

The electoral college is an inequitable means of electing the President. The present system gives disproportionate strength to the voter in the less populous state. The minority factions within each state have no way of combining their power with that of others. The majority vote within the state gets all of that state's electoral votes. Voting for a minority view is tantamount to throwing away your vote.

EVEN IF a person's vote is part of the majority, he cannot be assured that this opinion will be expressed in the electoral college. Very few states have a rule binding the elector to vote as the electorate willed. When the election goes into the House of Representatives, the people lose virtually all control over the outcome of the election.

Senator Bayhe (Dem.-Indiana) is proposing an amendment to the Constitution which would provide the election of the President by a popular vote of the electorate. *The Shakerite* supports this plan because it is inherently more democratic.

Supreme Court Not Guilty For Growing Crime Rate

by Larry Goulder

It is senseless to charge that there is a noticeable connection between Supreme Court decisions and the rising crime rate of the last few years.

CRITICS COMPLAIN that these decisions are crippling the police and crowding the state and local courts by granting all accused persons the right to legal counsel before interrogation and during trial. If police departments and state and local courts now need more men to successfully combat and control crime, then it is their responsibility to employ more. This country cannot concern itself only with the effectiveness of each policeman or lawyer; if it did it might as well initiate a police state in which one-fourth of its present forces would have enough power to "handle" crime. Then courts would no longer be crowded because fewer people would be granted the justice of a trial.

Protesters complaining that the Supreme Court rulings are allowing more criminals to go free should realize that for every criminal who escapes punishment there are more innocent persons who, lacking the knowledge to protect themselves, would previously have been convicted without the now-insured legal counsel.

THE SUPREME COURT has, for the first time, lessened the disparity between the rich and poor man's justice in a legal system that has always favored the wealthy. America must continue this trend by finding equitable ways to combat crime instead of watering down the Bill of Rights to achieve an unjust and temporary law and order.

Materialism and Conservatism Perplex Yugoslavian AFS'er

by Vera Sarson
AFS exchange student
from Yugoslavia

Coming from a democratic socialistic country, I see great differences between the approaches to life in the USA and my country, Yugoslavia. In talking with different people, I have noticed that everyone seems to be an individual. The majority of people are amazingly concerned with property. Their dream seems to be to get as rich as possible. The people fear extreme liberal philosophy because they are afraid of a change in the system.

THE CAMPAIGN for the next President is not a question of ideology. I expected the candidates to talk much about the problems and their solutions, and to give detailed explanations of what they plan to do. The platforms do not outline concrete actions; so not very much can be expected of the candidates. The people seem to feel dissatisfied with the choices, though the chosen President will be in that position for four years. Their positions on the Vietnam War, one of the most urgent problems, don't give any reason to think that the war will be over soon. The candidates are willing to stop the fighting only if the other side stops first.

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ing politics while joining the First Lady for a dip in the bathtub gin.

THE ONLY real disappointment of this charming evening was Vice-President Curtis LeMay, who refuses to admit he's the Vice-President. LeMay obviously had too much to drink. Sporting a World War II German helmet that he claimed to have "liberated" from a "gate-crasher," he was clearly bombed from his own "Nuclear Cocktail." Chanting, "I'd rather be red-nosed than dead," he tossed smoke bombs into the press room while reciting the poetry of LeRoi Jones to the teletype machines.

Pig's the One; There Is No Alternative

by Gary Berne

At a time when there is scant enthusiasm for two major candidates and only fascist fanaticism for the third, let us not forget the attributes of Pigasus IV, or as friends call him, Pig. Pig, a charismatic descendant from that well-known line of Midwestern hogs, was nominated by the Youth International Party during the Battle of Chicago. Originally a protest candidate, Pig looms as a truly serious contender now that the front-runners appear unable to provide the leadership that America requires. Only Pig can and will unify the nation. His political background, programs, and ideals place Pig a cut above his opponents, and simple superiority is causing a ground swill of support for this positive presidential material.

PIG RECEIVED his mandate, not from frolicking crowds in sun-filled streets, but in smoke-filled rooms from the wise barons of politics. Therefore, his public popularity is immense. Still, Pig is his own pork; the fat cats cannot manipulate him. Furthermore, the police, ordered by Pig's cousin Mayor Daley, will club for Pigasus, for his nickname parallels a modern expression for cop. Even the established Minnesota Donkeycrat declared, "Mr. Pig is a great American!"

Pig currently refused to divulge his programs to revive America for fear of damaging the John Birch Society—SDS peace talks. He has commented, though, on some controversial issues. Unlike his boarish southern rival, Pig will not run over anarchists; he would rather heed the fine general's advice and drop A-bombs on all pseudo-intellectual subversives. In response to Spiro Agnew, another great ham, Pig is not squishy soft on anything at all, especially communism.

PIG WILL combine tremendous support with far-reaching plans and construct his ideal America. Pig wants Mom, Home, Apple Pie. Pig wants Capitalism, Country Clubs, Cadillacs, Cotillion Balls. Pig wants Shaker Heights, Straight A's, and Wall Street for everyone. So for unity today and an ideal tomorrow, BRING HOME THE BACON; VOTE PIG.

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